SENATE—Monday, December 11, 2000

(Legislative day of Friday, September 22, 2000)

The Senate met at 5:34 p.m. on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the Honorable Peter G. Fitzgerald, a Senator from the State of Illinois.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, we believe in You, we love our Nation, and we know we are called to unity. Today we pray very specifically for the resolution of the Presidential election; with the same intensity we intercede for this Senate. Bless the Senators of both parties. We join with millions of Americans in praying that You will give them the courage to keep working until the issues are resolved, the determination to find answers, and the desire to give as well as take in negotiation. You are ready to help those who confess their dependence on You for wisdom to find workable solutions and creative compromises. When we humbly ask for Your guidance together, You open the channels of communication and give us the inspiration to negotiate. We thank You in advance for the answer to this prayer. In the name of our Lord. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Tim Hutchinson, a Senator from the State of Arkansas, led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. Thurmond).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, December 11, 2000. To The Senate: Under the provisions of rule I, section 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Peter G. Fitzgerald, a Senator from the State of Illinois, to perform the duties of the Chair.

STROM THURMOND,

President pro tempore.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 6 p.m., with the time to be equally divided in the usual form.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Arkansas is recognized.

DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE JULIAN C. DIXON OF CALIFORNIA

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 387 submitted by Senators LOTT and DASCHLE.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will state the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 387) relative to the death of Representative Julian C. Dixon, of California.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a remarkable public servant who has been taken from us all too quickly.

The sudden loss of Representative Julian Dixon has shocked and saddened us all. Without a doubt, Julian served California's Thirty-Second District with passion and distinction. He was a man of the highest integrity and credibility and his departure is a terrible loss to all of us.

He was a gentleman in every sense of the word who was willing to work across partisan lines to improve the lives of his constituents and so many Americans.

I was privileged as a member of the Senate Appropriations to work with JULIAN DIXON, who was a member of the House Appropriations Committee.

In this role, JULIAN always put California's needs first. He helped aid small businesses in Southern California who had been hurt by military base closures and defense downsizing. He also was a champion of the Los Angeles Metro Subway and the Alameda Corridor, an underground connection between the port of Los Angeles and the major eastwest rail lines.

He also consistently fought to maintain our Nation's commitment to civil

rights and to increase the economic upward mobility of the people of the Thirty-Second District.

JULIAN was also a leader through his role on the Appropriations Committee to secure funds to rebuild after the 1992 Los Angeles riots, the 1994 Northridge earthquake, and to improve public transportation throughout Los Angeles.

JULIAN DIXON served in Congress for 22 years, first being elected in 1978. He completed his undergraduate studies at California State University in Los Angeles and attended Southwestern School of Law. He served in the United States Army, practiced law in Los Angeles and then was elected to the California State Assembly in 1972.

He was also Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus and worked tirelessly to establish a memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. here in our Nation's Capital.

In 1999, Julian became an active participant in protecting America's national security through his role as ranking Democrat on the Select Intelligence Committee.

JULIAN DIXON was a man of principle and fairness whose grace and humility will be sorely missed.

My thoughts and prayers are with his wife Betty and the entire Dixon family during this very difficult time.

Put simply, this Nation owes much to JULIAN DIXON and the United States Congress was truly made a much better place because of his service.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 387) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 387

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Julian C. Dixon, late a Representative from the State of California.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns or recesses today, it stand adjourned or recessed as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Representative.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent, notwithstanding the recess or adjournment of